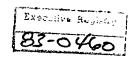
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The Honorable William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Bill:

As you may already know the National Strategy Information Center (NSIC), in collaboration with the National Defense University and the National Security Studies Program of Georgetown University, is sponsoring a two-day symposium on March 4 and 5, 1983 on "The Role of Special Operations in US Strategy for the 1980's." The symposium will have two major objectives:

- o to identify and examine the categories and range of special operations and how such operations could enhance the strategic capabilities of the United States to respond more effectively to threats of unconventional warfare situations during the next decade; and
- o to determine the means whereby special operations can be legitimized as a crucial element of politico-military planning in national security strategy.

The symposium will bring together a select group of current and former specialists in the various functional areas of special operations, together with a number of knowledgeable professionals. Participants will be drawn from a wide spectrum including the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of State, Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, US Information Agency, various military staffs and commands, academic institutions, and public policy centers.

The symposium will be held on Friday and Saturday, March 4 and 5, 1983, in Roosevelt Hall at the National Defense University, Ft. Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C. A copy of the preliminary program is enclosed; additional details and material -- including the papers -- will be forwarded to participants prior to the symposium.



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I am writing to you now to ask if you personally would be able to participate in the symposium. Your interest in and knowledge of this subject would make a most useful contribution. I very much hope that you will respond favorably to this invitation which I am extending also on behalf of Lieutenant General John S. Pustay, USAF, President of the National Defense University, and Director of the National Security Studies Program at Georgetown University. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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Sincerely,	* .
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